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In re application of:

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.136, Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for a one-month extension of time extending to June 1, 2006, the period for response to the final Office Action dated February 1, 2006. A check for \$120 is enclosed. The responsive paper(s) are attached.

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